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Applicant: Invention: ATALLAH, Mikhail J. and RICE, John R.

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Dear Sir/Madam:

On 5 January 2004, Deposit Account No. 09-0007 was debited \$2,236.00 and \$702.00 under Fee Codes 1201 and 1202, respectively, in regard to additional claims filed in an amendment to the above-identified application. Applicants believe the aforementioned fees are in excess of those actually owed. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that Deposit Account No. 09-0007 be credited in the amount of \$1,321.00. The basis for this request is as follows:

1. In the original application Applicants submitted and paid for thirty-three (33) claims, including five (5) independent claims. Applicants also submitted a Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status at the time the application was filed.

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2. In an amendment filed on 6 October 2003, Applicants submitted forty-nine (49) additional claims, twenty-eight (28) of which are independent claims. Applicant was required to pay for all forty-nine (49) additional claims, including the twenty-eight (28) independent claims. Applying the USPTO Fee Schedule for small entities that was in effect on 6 October 2003, results in the following claim fee calculations:

Independent Claims: 28 independent claims x \$42/claim =

\$1,176.00

Additional Claims:

49 additional claims x \$9/claim =

\$441.00

TOTAL:

\$1,617.00

Thus, Applicants were charged \$2,938.00 for the claims added by the amendment filed on 6 October 2003. Applicants should have been charged only \$1,617.00 for these claims. Applicants respectfully request that the overcharge be reversed, and that Deposit Account No. 09-0007 be credited in the amount of \$1,321.00.

Very truly yours,

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